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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

TRANSMITTAL

(INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FEE)

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

To:	Commissioner for Patents Box RCE PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket No.:1095.1280
First Named Inventor	Tsutomu HORIE, et al.	
Application No.	10/607,039	Group Art Unit 2624
Filing Date	June 27, 2003	Examiner Hadi Akhavannik
CPA Filing Date		Confirmation No 6413
Title of Invention	DEVICE AND METHOD FOR INSPECTING PHOTOMASKS AND PRODUCTS FABRICATED USING THE SAME	

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (Box a or b must be completed)

- a. Previously submitted
- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on September 4, 2007.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other
- b. Enclosed
- i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other

2.

Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required).
- b. Other _____

	BASIC FEE	\$	790.00
Since an Official Action set an original due date of July 2, 2007, petition is hereby made for an extension of time to cover the date this RCE is filed, for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$450)); (3 months (\$1,020)); (4 months (\$1,590)); (5 months (\$2,160)): A Petition and fee of \$450.00 was paid with the Amendment filed September 4, 2007.			
Suspension Fee (\$130.00)			
Total of above Calculations =		\$	790.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).			
TOTAL FEES DUE =		\$	790.00
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Small entity status: a. <input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. b. <input type="checkbox"/> A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is no longer claimed. 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:			
6. METHOD OF PAYMENT			
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>\$790.00</u> is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to Deposit Account No. 19-3935. (A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.)			
7. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to: Deposit Account No. 19-3935.			
8. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS			
STAAS & HALSEY LLP  21171 <small>PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE</small>			
9. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED			
NAME	Paul W. Bobowiec	REGISTRATION NO.	47,431
SIGNATURE		DATE	